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Amendment

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This is in response to the Office Action mailed 11/21/2006 in regard to the above-identified patent application. amend the Application as indicated on the following pages.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.